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Application No. : 10/577,344

**Mail Stop Amendment**

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For : WORKER-IN-CHARGE COMMAND SYSTEM AND WORKER-IN-CHARGE  
 COMMAND METHOD

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
 Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment  
 Randolph Building  
 401 Dulany Street  
 Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a **Preliminary Amendment** in the above-captioned application.

☐ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

☐ An Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449, and references cited.

☐ A Request for Extension of Time.

☒ No additional fee is required.

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Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application on the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to further amend the claims as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.